



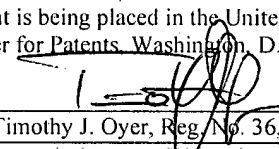
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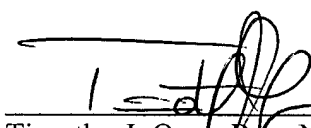
PETITION FOR TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

A two month extension of time, to and including May 22, 2001, is requested for response to the Office Action mailed February 22, 2001.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the extension fee in the amount of \$390.00 to Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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